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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM TREASURY ASSISTANT SECRETARY PARSKY
FOR AMBASSADOR AKINS

DURING THE INDUSTRIALIZATION WORKING GROUP MEETINGS IN WASHINGTON, IT WAS SUGGESTED BY THE SAUDIS THAT IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR A GROUP OF SAUDI BUSINESSMEN TO VISIT THE US AND MEET WITH THE US PRIVATE SECTOR. ASSISTANT SECRETARY PARSKY SPOKE TO EUGENE BIRD ABOUT THIS AND MR. BIRD THOUGHT IT SHOULD BE DONE. RECENTLY, MR. SULIMAN OLAYAN, A PRIVATE SAUDI BUSINESSMAN WHO HAS BEEN WORKING CLOSELY WITH GEORGE SHULTZ AND BECHTEL CORP., SPOKE TO PARSKY AND SAID THAT HE HAD RAISED THIS SUBJECT WITH MINISTER ABA AL-KHAIL WHO RESPONDED POSITIVELY. MR. OLAYAN ASKED PARSKY TO WRITE MINISTER ABA AL-KHAIL ABOUT IT, WHICH HE HAS DONE, INDICATING THAT THE EMBASSY WILL WORK WITH HIM TO DEVELOP THE IDEA FULLY. AT YOUR CONVENIENCE, PLEASE DISCUSS THIS WITH MINISTER ABA AL-KHAIL AND DR. SOLIMAN SOLAIM. INGERSOLL

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